

Ass Sanctuary in Little Rann of Kutch giving employment to more than ten thousand families of salt workers against the situation arising out of Supreme Court's judgement;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present area of the Wildlife Ass Sanctuary and the percentage of area affected by Inland Salt Manufacturing Industry?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The total area of the Wild Ass Sanctuary is 4953.69 sq. kms. and the total land granted on lease for salt manufacturing by the Revenue Department is 36.89 sq. kms. The percentage of lease granted for salt manufacturing to total sanctuary area is 7.44%.

Inclusion of Drugs

3195. DR. BALIRAM : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the drugs and intermediates which have been kept in the negative list;
- (b) whether inclusion of these drugs and intermediates in the negative list has encouraged black marketing and smuggling; and
- (c) the steps taken to dispense with this list?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) The drugs and intermediates kept in the negative list are:—

- (i) All types of Penicillin
- (ii) 6-APA
- (iii) Tetracycline/Oxytetracycline & their salts
- (iv) Streptomycin
- (v) Rifampicin
- (vi) Intermediates of Rifampicin, namely
 - 3-Formyl Rifa SV
 - Rifa-S/Rifa-S Sodium, and
 - 1-Amino-4-Methyl Piperazine
- (vii) Vitamin B1, Vitamin B2 and their salts.

(b) Reports received indicate that some quantities of tetracycline and Penicillin imported under different schemes are finding their way into the open market.

(c) Only vital drugs and some of those reserved for manufacture by Public Sector Undertakings have been kept in the negative list. The list is reviewed on a regular basis keeping in view the developments at the national and international levels.

Nexus between PWG and NSCN

3196. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that there exists nexus between out-lawed People War Group and NSCN;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c) Government do not have confirmed information regarding nexus between PWG and NSCN. However, a close watch is being kept in this regard with the cooperation of the concerned State Governments.

Assistance for Foodgrains under World Food Programme

3197. SHRI CHHATAR SINGH DARBAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the States receiving assistance for foodgrains under the World Food Programme during 1996-97;

(b) the amount of assistance provided to each State under this programme during the said period; and

(c) the extent to which it has been utilised in each State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) The States receiving assistance for foodgrains under the World Food Programme (WFP) during 1996-97 are Assam, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Orissa, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

(b) and (c) The Quantity of food assistance provided and utilised under this programme in each State, during 1996-97 is as under:

(Quantity in thousand tonnes)

Sl.No.	State	Food assistance Provided	Utilisation
1.	Assam	1.30	0.85
2.	Bihar	2.90	3.82*
3.	Gujarat	4.00	7.68*
4.	Karnataka	5.22	12.58*
5.	Kerala	15.99	13.25
6.	Madhya Pradesh	10.71	21.22*
7.	Orissa	7.38	3.50
8.	Rajasthan	31.25	32.03*
9.	Uttar Pradesh	7.38	8.61*
		86.13	103.54*

* includes commodity delivered during the previous year.

Corruption Cases

3198. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of corruption, dishonesty and assets disproportionate to the income of civil servants investigated by the Vigilance Department of the Ministry in 1995-96;

(b) the number of officers involved therein;

(c) the number of complaints received for corruption and dishonesty during said period and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the Vigilance Department initiate action *suo moto* against the staff suspected to be dishonest and corrupt; and

(e) whether the Ministry have made any review of the functioning of powers of the vigilance section under their control and, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) to (c) As per the Vigilance Complaints Register of the Ministry sixteen cases involving twenty Govt. servants were under investigation as on 1.4.95. In 1995-96 twenty-four additional complaints were received and investigations initiated. A total of nine cases were finalised during this period.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The functioning of the Administrative Vigilance Unit in the Ministry is reviewed from time to time. The Administrative Vigilance Unit functions in accordance with the general instructions of the Department of Personnel and Training and the Central Vigilance Commission.

Milk Production in Orissa

3199. SHRI MURALIDHAR JENA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Orissa Government has sought any assistance from the Union Government for increasing the milk production in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the dairies getting Central assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) to (c) Orissa received an assistance of Rs. 6.67 crores during the last 10 years under the Operation Flood Programme for increasing its milk production, processing and marketing for the milksheds of Sambalpur, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Keonjhar and Puri. The State has also been assisted for increasing its milk production and marketing activities in the backward districts of Kalahandi, Koraput, Phulbani, Bolangir, Sundergarh, Balasore and Mayurbhanj with an additional investment of Rs. 10.74 crores in the last three years under the Central Sector Scheme 'Integrated Dairy Development Project' in Non-OF Hill and backward areas." The State Government has not sought any other assistance from the Government of India for increasing its milk production.

Outlawed Organisations

3200. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the organisations declared outlawed by the Centre as well as by the States;

(b) whether Jamate Islami, J&K People Conference and some other organisations which are openly secessionists and do not accept the Indian Constitution, still continue in the list of recognised parties by the Election Commission of India; and